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PUBLICITY DIRECTOR ARRIVES ON CAMPUS

Miss E. Ruth Reynolds, of Milwaukee, arrived here last week to take up her duties as publicity director for Sweet Briar College. Miss Reynolds is a graduate of the Marquette University College of Journalism, Milwaukee. She has been in newspaper work since her graduation from Marquette in 1923. She will remain here until June. Her duties will consist partly in sending news stories and pictures of Sweet Briar to the Associated Press, and in making Sweet Briar more generally known throughout the country.

Esther Tyler Chosen As Regional Executive

At the recent convention of the National Student Federation of U. S. A., held in Nebraska, Esther Tyler, representing Sweet Briar, was chosen Regional Executive of the South. At the Convention held January 6th, she gave her report, the substance of which was:

"The National Student Federation of the United States of America, better known by the initials N. S. F. A., grew out of the Inter-collegiate World Court Congress which met at Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, in December, 1925. At that time the N. S. F. A. which was started by a group of students in the far West at Berkeley, California, on January first of that year, was incorporated into the new organization, which took over its name.

The two hundred and forty-five colleges and universities represented at Princeton adopted unanimously a temporary constitution, and elected an executive committee; but the whole thing was an experiment.

It would achieve a spirit of co-operation among students of the United States to give consideration to questions affecting students' interests; would develop an intelligent student opinion on questions of national and international importance; would foster an understanding among students of the world in the further course of an enduring peace.

N. S. F. A. wants to become a living organization, providing the means and development of a student consciousness for taking concerted action on student problems, the result of which would be national recognition and respect.

During the year 1926, it framed a permanent constitution, establishing itself more firmly, and began relations with the International Federation of Education—a "fédération internationale des étudiants" (International Association of Student Unions) began in 1919, in Strasbourg, and motivated by students of France and Belgium. Last summer at the meeting of C. I. E. in Rome, at which N. S. F. A. delegates were present, N. S. F. A. became a member of C. I. E.

The importance of this in furthering international student relations and understanding is evident in the exchange of students. The travel committee of the N. S. F. A. resolutions for this year are:

1. The N. S. F. A. is to send 100 students to Europe as guests of the C. I. E. next summer.
2. To make arrangements to receive the debating team of Canadian Student Union.
3. The N. S. F. A. is to invite another group of European students

PRESIDENT GLASS WILL SPEAK AT A. A. C. MEETING

President Glass will be in New York on Wednesday night, January 11th, at the round-table dinner of representative women, who will discuss the program for the American Women's Association. From New York—President Glass will go to Atlantic City for the meeting of the Association of American Colleges, which will last from January 12th to January 14th. On the morning of January 14th, she will speak before the Association on The College Curriculum for Women.

President Lucia R. Briggs of Milwaukee-Dowder College, is President of the Association of American Colleges. The outstanding speeches of the meeting will be: The Outlook for the American College, by President A. L. Lowell, of Harvard.

The Report of the Commission on Parliament and Trust Funds, by Mr. Trevor Arnett, chairman. College Architecture and College Instruction in the Arts.

The Library Building for a Liberal Arts College, by President Charles C. Mierow, of Colorado College. And discussions on The American Undergraduate Abroad, by President W. A. Neilson, of Smith College; Walter Hamilton, of Delaware; and Dr. Stephen P. Dugan, of the Institute of International Education.

Bridge Tournament To Be Held In February

Owing to the short time before examinations, the Drive committee considers it advisable to postpone the playing off of the Bridge Tournament until February. It will be carried on as planned and the list for entrants will be open until February first.

Mr. Martin To Publish Several Compositions Soon

Mr. Reginald W. Martin, Sweet Briar's organist and one of its excellent music instructors, has had four of his compositions accepted this fall. The two organ numbers, the Berceuse (Lorenz, Publisher), and the Canonetta, (H. W. Gray & Co.) have been heard and appreciated on several occasions. These numbers are particularly charming and tuneful.

The two anthems, "O God Thou Art My God," and "Awake, Awake, Put on Thy Strength," are to be published by C. H. Lowden of Philadelphia, Pa. These anthems have not been heard here though the choir sings several of his anthems which are several favorites.

Mr. Martin gave his weekly organ program in the chapel on Monday, January 8th. The program consisted of the following:

- Chorale Prelude. —Karg-Elert
- Caravan of the Magg, —Mpunder
- Rhapsodie on an Ancient Christmas Carol. —Faulke
- Hallelujah Chorus. —Handel
- The organ music for the program on Monday, January 16, is as follows: Schumann Program. Fugue on the Name. —Bach
- Sketch in F Minor. —F. Minor
- Canon in B Minor (Organ) Variations on the name Abegg. (Piano).

CALENDAR

THURSDAY—12:00 M.—Convocation, Prof. Scott,—"Chinese Devils." 7:00 p. m.—Choir rehearsal in chapel. FRIDAY—12:00 M.—Chapel. Miss Calkins. 8:00 p. m.—London String Quartet. SATURDAY—SUNDAY—4:45 p. m.—Sunday Services. MONDAY—7:00 p. m.—Schumann Program—Mr. Martin. TUESDAY—7:30 p. m.—International Relations. WEDNESDAY—6:45 p. m.—Y. W. C. A. Chapel. 7:00 p. m.—Student Government.

Mr. Stringfellow Barr Lectures On Fascism

Mr. Stringfellow Barr, of the University of Virginia, lectured on the "Philosophy of Fascism" in the chapel on Friday, January 6th. In a very forceful and interesting manner, Mr. Barr reviewed European history from the feudal period to the present epoch, emphasizing the salient points in the development of authority.

Italy's place in the World War, the chaos and havoc wrought by it, and the rising of Mussolini, the Moser of Italy, were clearly set forth. Fascism as the doctrine which requires the performance of a duty and the attention and obedience to authority with Mussolini, the stern master, at its head, is the motivating and revitalizing influence in present day Italy. This restoration of morale with the watchwords of "law, duty, obedience, order," gives the people, as Mr. Barr puts it, "something worth dying for."

Faculty Members Represent Sweet Briar At Conventions During Christmas Holidays

Sweet Briar was represented by members of its faculty at most of the meetings of the Learned Societies held during the last week in December. Dean Dutton and Prof. Robinson attended the annual meetings of the American Philological Association and the Archaeological Institute of America in Cincinnati, December 28-30.

Dr. Hague attended the meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Science in Nashville, Tenn. Prof. Long the meeting of the Modern Language Association in Louisville; Dr. Mull the meeting of the American Psychological Association in Columbus; Dr. Raymond the meeting of the American Historical Association in Washington; Dr. Folsom and Miss Miss Dickinson the meeting of the Economic Association in Washington.

Dean Dutton, Professor Robinson, and Dean Lumina, of Wells College, formerly Dean at Sweet Briar, attended the luncheon of the Cincinnati Sweet Briar Club at the Cincinnati Club on December 28.

HELEN MATTHEWS TO ASSIST IN LEADING MID-WINTER DANCE

Helen Mathews has been chosen to assist in leading the Mid-winter Dance to be Friday, February 3rd. There will also be a tea-dance that Friday afternoon, and Saturday night regular "gym."

Mary Moss is treasurer of the dance committee, Kathryn Blake chairman of the decorations committee, and Claire Giescke in charge of refreshments. The decorations committee assistants are: Majorie Sturges, Jane Callison, Harriett Williams, Eleanor Henderson, Alice T. Jones, and Merry Cusia.

Persons wishing to attend the dance should sign up immediately for their places with Sally Beahard, 252 Randolph. Each girl is allowed two guests and the fee is five dollars. This fee is to be paid upon receipt of admission cards which will be given for each guest signed.

The music will be furnished by Tommy Thompson and his orchestra. These musicians played for the Mid-winter and May Day dances last year. There will be seven of Tommy Thompson's first orchestra this year, including his personal services.

Glee Club Holds First Meeting Of The New Year

The Glee Club's first meeting of the New Year, on Monday night, January 9th, was a very important one. Plans for the next public concert were discussed. This next concert will differ in many respects from the preceding excellent concert given by the Glee Club under the direction of Miss Walnwright.

Grand Opera Week To Be Held In Richmond Jan. 16-21

Seventeen years of repulsive success and artistic development have made the San Carlo Grand Opera Company the world's foremost organization of its kind, and the largest on tour. Again this year it will carry the lyric-dramatic masterpieces to the farthest corners of North America.

Some twenty operas, sung in Italian, French, German or English, are included in its repertoire, from the most familiar and long-established favorites to the most recent works, for which several carloads of scenery, costumes and effects are carried with the company.

It will be in Richmond the week of January 16th, and as a certain per cent of the proceeds are to be for the benefit of Sweet Briar, it is hoped that a large party will go up from Sweet Briar. In this connection the committee on arrangements is endeavoring to make arrangements with the railroads to put on special excursion rates throughout Virginia during Opera week.

The Richmond program will be as follows:

- AIDA January 16 (Evening)
- RIGOLETTO January 17 (Matinee)
- FAUST January 17 (Evening)

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THE LONDON STRING QUARTET WILL PLAY

The London String Quartet will give a concert in the chapel on Friday, January 13, at 8 o'clock.

This well known quartet, pre-eminent among ensemble, consists of John Pennington, first violin; Thomas Petre, second violin; H. Wello-Warner, viola, and C. Warwick Evans, cello. These performers each an artist on his own instrument, are widely known and appreciated in Europe, Canada, England and the United States.

The London String Quartet organized in 1908, is remarkable not only for its lasting success, but also because it has been self-sustaining since its inception.

The many good press notices, which the Quartet has received, proclaim it as the "finest that the American public has the privilege of hearing."

Norvell Royer Reports On Detroit Convention

Norvell Royer, representing Sweet Briar this vacation at the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, held in Detroit, December 27-January 2, at the University of Michigan, reports that there were some 4000 people from all parts of the world—China, Japan, Africa, India, Persia, a large group from Canada, a few from the smaller countries of the world, and almost without exception from every college in this country—some of which sent as many as fifteen delegates.

The committee on arrangements had secured the use of the new Masonic Temple for headquarters. The opening session was on Wednesday afternoon. One of the first speakers emphasized the fact that although it was a volunteer movement for foreign missions, he doubted if more than 2 per cent of those present would ever go to the foreign field. What the convention did hope to accomplish was that through the medium of the students represented, people could be made to realize that missions are of immeasurable value from both religious and political standpoints.

Every morning, afternoon and evening of the five days were devoted to address by student representatives from the foreign countries; these addresses were followed by discussion groups.

The colloquia, contained some two hundred students. Only the students were asked to participate, but there were always about eight or ten older people present who knew the facts behind the questions and could give them if the need arose.

On Saturday morning Dr. John H. Mott, considered in the auditorium the subject of "Jesus Christ and International and Inter-racial Cooperation for a Better World." Needless to say, the colloquia group concerned itself with the discussion of the race problem that day. There were several negroes present as well as people from all sections of the globe and although many good arguments were presented on both sides naturally, no definite conclusions were reached.

Another question asked to be discussed, broached by a student from the University of Michigan, was, "Why was it that so many students who come to college with seemingly sound religious views, go away without any religion at all." Numerous students, mostly from some of the Northern colleges,

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On Monday morning from 9:00 to 1:00, there is always someone in the Cabin to receive contributions and notices.

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BEGINNING THE NEW YEAR.

Since the reopening of college on January 3rd, most of us have been too busy to think much about the year which has just begun. Our attention has been needed in so many directions that we have had little time to consider the future. Even now, when we have become entirely readjusted to college life, and memories of vacation are slipping into the background, we find it hard to realize that another year has opened. Yet, when we pause long enough to think things over, we see that nothing else so deserves our earnest consideration. For our success in college, and to a great extent, our success in life, depends upon our realization of the new year's possibilities, and our use of its opportunities. 1928 is here, and we may measure the progress of the coming month largely by the kind of beginning we make.

As we were reminded in Student Government meeting last week, the time has arrived for us to check up on ourselves scholastically, and consider the ways in which we may make our future work most profitable. Whatever deficiencies are found in our past methods, and close inspection will doubtless reveal many, they now be corrected, and a more systematic use of our time can be arranged for the coming month.

First of all, we should realize one important fact,—that the dormitories must be kept quiet during the examination period, and the time previous to it. Even though some of us may not be inconvenienced by surrounding noise, and may not wish to work in our rooms, nevertheless we should remember that the needs of different students are seldom alike, and that everything should be done to make conditions for work as favorable as possible. Let consideration for others be one of our most important resolutions for 1928, and we shall all be well rewarded by our scholastic gain.

But our attention at this critical time should not be claimed by studies alone. When the course of the future is being determined, it is well to consider the means of improving every branch of college life. Especially important is the field of athletics, which is always worthy of our best thought. Judging by our ideal situation and the high standards that we have maintained in the past, we see that our opportunities for athletic supremacy are limitless. With the whole-hearted interest and the active support of every member of the student body, we may maintain our present status, and give athletics an increasingly high place among the attractions of Sweet Briar.

The opening of the New Year likewise means a fresh beginning in all of our extra-curricular activities and social interests. Each of our organizations will benefit by a greater enthusiasm and a renewed interest among its members. In the Student Government Association, particularly, we can demonstrate the value of a new start, by considering our past faults, and striving to make our future actions of the greatest possible credit to ourselves and to our college.

Moreover, student publications are especially in need of our best efforts during the coming year. Those of us who have failed to support them in the past can now demonstrate our interest by pledging future cooperation. The time has come for new thoughts, new ideas, new standards—a new expression of ourselves, both as individuals and as a community. Many and glorious opportunities are awaiting us in every side. How shall we answer their challenge?

OHIO WESLEYAN.—Twelve students have been graduated from Ohio Wesleyan with perfect academic grades in the last 20 years. Of these nine were women and three men. All grades with the exception of gym counted. That is excluded in Phi Beta Kappa considerations.

LADDERGRAM.

For this week—

1. RIDE

2.

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6. WALK

STEPS TO LAST WEEK'S LADDERGRAM.

1. HEAD

2. HOLD

3. HOLD

4. FOLD

5. FOOD

6. FOOT

THE OPEN LETTER.

This free press column has been started in The News for any of our readers who wish to express their opinions on any matters of current interest.

All contributions for this column must be signed with the full name of the author. Initials or numerals will be used if the writer so desires.

The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for opinions and statements in this column.

From letter of graduate '25:
"When my Sweet Briar News comes I can hardly wait to greedily read it. My, what a boost it is to the old girls!"

To the Editor of the Sweet Briar News:

One of Sweet Briar's chief pleasures should be the enjoyment of good music. We are offered ample opportunities for this. Once a week Mr. Martin, who is an excellent organist, presents a program of organ and piano numbers. This program generally consists of some classics, a few modern numbers and occasionally a few of his own compositions.

Mr. Martin gives a great deal of his time and effort to the music in the college, and our appreciation of this should be shown. A mere handful of people—two Seniors, three Juniors, five Sophomores and two Freshmen along with two faculty members, attended the music program on the past Monday night. This small audience in spite of its appreciation does not warrant Mr. Martin's generous giving of his time in producing music for a public which does not show its gratitude to him.

A few minutes spent on Monday night in listening to good music certainly does more good than one hour's jabbering or phony bridge. While we are in college, all opportunities for the development of our intellect and enjoyment of music should be seized. Not only should we listen to Mr. Martin on Monday nights, but also should the whole college support and encourage the Orchestra, Glee Club and Choir, whose efforts are so seldom appreciated.

—Amelia Hollis.

To Everyone on Sweet Briar Campus:

We wish you a very happy and prosperous New Year, and for the students the best of luck in exams.

—The News Staff.

Alumnae News Box.

Betty Lowman Hall '18, gave a talk on Sweet Briar at the University Club in Elmira, N. Y., on January 7th.

Mrs. Harold E. Marks (Eleanore Sollitt '18,) is spending this year in Tucson, Arizona.

Phyllis Millinger '24, is in charge of the silver department in an exclusive jewelry shop in Pittsburgh. As a side line she is studying terpolchore.

Annette Brown King '26, announces the birth of a red headed, blue eyed girl, Annetta, on November 14th.

Jerry Reynolds ex-'27, is head of the English Department of Chester Center High School of Bluffton, Ind. She has two men assistants. This surely must be Leap Year!

Marietta Darsie '26, is secretary in a real estate office in her home town, Erie, Pa.

Elizabeth Cobb '26, announced her engagement to Mr. Donald Sutherland on November 16th.

Madeline Brown '27, married Lieut. McFarland Walker Wood on December 17th, in Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

Ruth Henne Mills '24, sails with her husband in January for a two months trip through Germany.

Maggie Palm ex-'28, is to be married on January 25, to Lieut. Robert Howze of the United States Army.

We regret to announce the death of Elizabeth Clement '27, on Dec. 24th. She died after a serious operation in Richmond.

Sweet Briar Day Throughout The Country.

Of the more than thirty cities which have been heard from by the Alumnae office concerning their activities on Sweet Briar day, these few representative parties have been chosen to show you what happened in various parts of the country.

Washington—
Sweet Briar College Alumnae Open Drive.

The first step in the organization of the plans for a Nation-wide drive for \$750,000 for increased endowment and additional buildings at Sweet Briar College, Va., was taken yesterday in Washington and in 54 other cities throughout the country by members of the Sweet Briar Alumnae Association. The members of the local chapter met at a luncheon at the Carlton Hotel. The luncheon here yesterday was attended by many graduates and former students of the college who live in this city and by present students of Sweet Briar College who are at home for the Christmas holidays. Mrs. William R. Sims, president of the local chapter, presided.—Washington Post, Dec. 27.

Minneapolis—
Sweet Briar College Alumnae Observe Day in Honor of School.

Rose and Green, the colors of Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Va., were the decorations at the midwinter luncheon which the Sweet Briar College alumnae gave today at Donaldson's, tearooms in observance of Sweet Briar Day, recognized today by alumnae all over the country.

Mrs. Lewis Washburn Child

(Katherine Shenon) was chairman of the luncheon committee. Mrs. Donald Kidd MacLennan (Gertrude McGiffert) is the new president of the Sweet Briar College alumnae and Mrs. Victor Miller, who has come here from Lynchburg, Va., to make her home, is secretary and treasurer.

The alumnae group includes more than 20 members in Minneapolis.

Pittsburg—
At the Sweet Briar luncheon in Pittsburg there were twenty-five present. Mrs. Kress (Selma Scott) showed movies of commencement, 1927. The chapter voted to send 1200 which they made last summer in a rummage sale to the Alumnae Association.

Indianapolis—
The Indiana Sweet Briar Club celebrated Sweet Briar Day at Indianapolis with a luncheon in the Palm Room of the Athletic Club. The sixteen members who attended were seated at a table made attractive by centerpieces of Dahlias, roses, lavender sweet peas, and ferns, and by silver candlesticks holding rose-colored tapers. Mrs. Hal R. Keeling was in charge of the affair.

Chicago—
The Chicago Chapter had luncheon in a private room at the Blackstone Hotel. There were twenty-one present.

All the chapters report great plans for future activities in the local clubs, and a desire to cooperate with the Alumnae Headquarters here at Sweet Briar in every way possible.

Star Spangled Banner Would Save The Day.

There is a true and interesting story about Mrs. Williams and her harp, which illustrates her courageous spirit.

It was during the Civil War when she was living at Sweet Briar House. A neighbor asked her why she didn't bury her harp or hide it away to save it from possible violence by the Northern soldiers. She shook her head and smiled knowingly. In case her house was raided by Union men she would use diplomacy. Staunch Southerner though she was, she would go to her harp and play "The Star Spangled Banner" for them without faltering. It would doubtless save the situation for both herself and the harp, she declared.

The Williams' were all very musical. Mrs. Williams was an exquisite harpist, as we all know. Her sister played no less beautifully on the piano, and when they were living in Lynchburg they used to give concerts together.

Mr. Williams played the flute. When he and Mrs. Williams were in New York they attended the opera frequently. They always meant to build a music room in back of the drawing room in Sweet Briar House.

In regard to Daisy, it was natural for them to lay emphasis on her musical education. She, like her mother, loved to play the harp very beautifully.

Athletic Notes

Basketball Training Starts

Basketball is going in earnest now. The first first-team games will be played on Friday, January 13, between the Seniors and Sophomores, and the Juniors and Freshmen. Training table started Monday for varsity players. They are:

E. Claybrook	P. McDiarmid
H. Williams	H. Gubelman
G. Sollitt	M. Copeland
E. Kumm	M. Lyon
R. Keeler	G. Prior

Knee pads, which everyone must have, can be bought in the A. A. Store.

Captains should call out their teams and substitutes for practices. Everyone should be on time for practices.

Riding Voted Sweet Briar's Favorite Sport.

The result of the vote taken for Sweet Briar's favorite sports and favorite girls in those sports were as follows:

1. Riding — W. West.
2. Lake — A. Babbitt.
3. Hockey — E. Claybrook.

These results are to go to the Associated Press which is arranging to publish a sheet of pictures of favorite sports and favorite participants in them among the Southern Colleges.

Two Weeks Left to Get Riding and Hiking Points

All those who want to get their riding and hiking points for this semester should do so in the next two weeks, before the 1st of February. In riding, no points below the maximum 80 will count, and in hiking only the maximum 160 will count.

Fox Hunt Ends As Early Morning Ride.

Winnie West, Amelia Woodward and Mona Stone went on a hunt early Saturday morning with Mr. Blackwell and Mr. Lewis. "Win" and "Willie" had to come back in time for classes, but Mona stayed until they lost the dogs. The pack split and seemed to be following two trails. One of the older dogs especially seemed to be hot on the scent. The young dogs came back to the hunt, but the others were lost. It was a gorgeous morning and they all enjoyed the ride.

Basketball Teams Elect Captains.

On Monday afternoon after class practice, the Seniors elected Grace Sollitt captain of their first team.

The Juniors chose Polly McDiarmid for captain.

The Sophomore class team will be led by Gwen Olcott this winter.

Polly Swift is captain of the Freshman first team.

Skates In Demand As Lake Freezes.

From the time college started again, until Saturday of that week the lake was frozen over solid from the dam to the boat-house. This afforded wonderful skating for the courageous ones. Even on moonlight nights figures skated across the polished surface.

Among the skaters members of the faculty were conspicuous as well as students, and skates were in great demand.

Dancing Classes Attain Unprecedented Popularity

Russian Dancing is claiming a great deal of interest this week. The class is very large and has many voluntary members.

Now that everyone has her costume and some of the muscle-sketching preliminary exercises have been learned, the class in taking up the steps.

Clogging is another popular class.

Sixty Point Hike To be on Saturday.

If you have not noticed the A. A. bulletin board, you have doubtless seen the hiking notice concerning points for the semester.

You will remember too, that you need at least 160 points in a semester in order to get credit. Many girls are still eligible for this credit for they have more than half their points. There have and will be various length hikes from now on to enable those who wish, to complete their total. Watch the A. A. and Gray boards for notices and if you desire to take a shorter hike for credit, anytime during the week, see me about it.

This Saturday there will be a hike for 50 or 60 points, leaving Academic steps at 2:30.

—Gwen Olcott.

Cabin To Hang Out New Signs Within Few Days

A new addition towards the formality and business likeness of the office of The News is a gold lettered sign, which reads:

Sweet Briar News
Briar Patch — Brambling Office.

It has not as yet been posted in front of the Cabin, but in due time it will be hung between two posts to mark the birth-place of our new venture, and the new home of the Briar Patch and the Brambling.

Sweet Briar Has Its Own Camera Woman

Since Christmas vacation many Sweet Briar students who have never been in the focus of a moving picture camera before have been afforded a new experience by Emily Farrell, who returned after the holidays with a moving picture camera. She has taken pictures of us in our most collegiate moments, and as the first roll of film is now being developed we hope soon to have a great deal of amusement at our own expense.

LOST:—A silver bracelet set with three green stones, somewhere, in Academic, the day before vacation. Finder please return to The News Office, and receive reward.

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From Winter To Spring

Sweet Briar is now in her second Fall, or rather her first of Spring this year. For three days it has been April weather—in the mood of January! Summer models have been donned, and the stream to Rhea's has increased prolifically. A week ago the lake was frozen tight, so that many Northerners received great thrills at skating on such smooth glossy ice and in Virginia, and the Southerners received about as great thrills in watching them (some of them) glide along the lake, and in wondering how anyone could even stand up on such narrow blades.



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World News

State Lawmakers Urged to Adopt Air Traffic Rules.

New Orleans, Jan. 10. (A. P.)—A recommendation that States adopt aircraft regulations along the lines followed by the Federal government in order to reduce aviation mishaps was made today in a report submitted by the committee on air law to the executive committee of the American Bar Association.

The committee urged that the law, adopted by the States be the same as that followed by the Federal government. This would facilitate its administration.

An interstate flying is the "sphere" in which the highest percentage of accidents occur," State regulation is necessary.

The report stated that there was no necessity of recommending regulations for traffic-control flights based on the desire for publicity, because of the protest raised by the newspapers.

Johns Hopkins' President Resigns.

Baltimore, Jan. 10. (A. P.)—Dr. Frank J. Goodnow, president of Johns Hopkins University, offered his resignation to members of the executive committee of the board of trustees, effective not later than January 1, 1929, it became known today.

It had been known at the university for some time that Dr. Goodnow, who will reach the age of 70 soon after the date he announced his resignation, wished to be relieved of his duties so he might do some writing and might travel.

RUSSIA.

Prominent Communists Expelled.
The Communist Party Congress took drastic action last week and expelled from the party ninety-eight extremely prominent Communists.

In Russia, expulsion from the one and only party permitted to exist, is a sentence of political death. The ninety-eight who were thus "politically executed" suffered, this penalty because they are supporters of Trotsky and Zinoviev, who have tried to lead an opposition in the Communist party, but were recently expelled from it for that high crime. Unfortunately, the matter cannot end there. The machine has cast out of the party men whose prestige with the Russian masses is as great or greater than that of those who remain in. It remains to be seen whether the despotic machine of Stalin can curb Trotsky and Zinoviev, two jealous revolutionaries, whom the Tsar was unable to curb.

CHINA.

Seeds of Civil War Now Sown.

The New Year is beginning auspiciously for the Chinese "Republic." For two reasons there were no cries of "Kung Ho Shun Hay!" (Happy New Year!) in Canton or Peking. In the first place, their "New Year" does not come until February, and in the second place, few Chinese had legitimate cause for happiness.

At this season of the year, Chinese leaders are sowing the seeds of civil wars which are likely to ripen long before the arrival of autumn and other harvests.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, a "Nationalist," will probably be the first in the field of spring-time civil war. His headquarters are at Shanghai. The National party plans to hold a congress early in January for the purpose of formulating war plans.

IRELAND.

McNeil Appointed Governor General of Irish Free State.

At the advice of the Irish Free State Government, King Emperor George V has appointed James McNeil Governor-General to the Irish Free State.

Although he is practically unknown in the United States, appointee McNeil has gained distinction in the British Empire, because of his long and faithful services to the Government of India.

Boxwood Inn-terests.

Few people have been visiting at the Inn this week, except dates over the week-end. "Coming events cast their shadow before," and it is probably due to the approach of exams that the girls are too busy to have many visitors.

Mrs. R. M. Henderson of Birmingham Ala. is visiting her daughter, Martha.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McFee, of Woodstock, N. J., have been guests at the Inn, and are now staying at the Inn.

A. A. U. W. Holds Open Meeting On Graduate Work

The open-meeting of A. A. U. W. on graduate study, held in Reid parlors Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 was intended particularly for Seniors and any students interested in graduate study. The members of the faculty will be ready to give them any information that they would like or to plan further conferences with them in regard to

Grand Opera-Week to be Held in Richmond Week of Jan. 16-21.

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January 18 (Evening)—

LA ROHEME

MADAM BUTTERFLY

January 19 (Matinee)

CARMEN

January 19 (Evening)

CAVALLERIA — RUSTICANA

and PAGLIACCI

January 20 (Evening)

HANSEL and GRETEL

January 21 (Matinee)

IL TROVATORE

January 21 (Evening)

Eather Tyler Chosen As Regional Executive.

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to be its guest this summer.

The N. S. F. A. also desires to have a Speakers Bureau, so that the small schools which cannot afford good speakers may have a chance to hear some. For this purpose a list of speakers available and probable was organized. Particularly it wants to encourage the idea that members of a faculty who have time may travel to the schools near their region.

Groups were organized which discussed student government, the honor system, athletics, choice and methods of the teachers, Freshmen and regional meetings.

There is hardly any student problem not covered by N. S. F. A. It is only three years old, but it has a splendid future ahead of it. It is believed that it will accomplish great things, not only in its fostering of international student relations, but in raising the U. S. student to a higher plane in National importance.

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President Glass Speaks At Luncheon On S. B. Day

On December 28, 1927, President Glass attended the Sweet Briar Day alumnae luncheon in New York at the Ella Harbour Club.

About forty Sweet Briar alumnae were present. Helen Taylor, acting president of the New York Club, presided at the luncheon.

President Glass spoke at some length, on Sweet Briar's present educational system, its future policies, and its future and immediate needs, and how we propose to meet them. The immediate needs of Sweet Briar, she said, are increased endowment and enlarged faculty, a library, an auditorium, and a gymnasium.

Dr. Crawford and Dorothy Bunting both spoke on phases of college news.

The meeting ended with a general discussion, which brought out appreciations of Sweet Briar's chief characteristics, and expressions of loyalty to its ideals. Someone commented upon the sense of background and traditions that Sweet Briar gives. Another mentioned the stimulation to discussion and digestion of the things learned. All spoke of the contribution of beauty in Sweet Briar's surroundings.

Norvell Royer Reports On Detroit Convention

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seemed to have that same idea. Various causes were suggested, the idea of being considered smart to be without a religion, the fact that the faculty was responsible, etc.

Dr. Henry T. Hodgkin, the founder of the British Fellowship of Reconciliation, was one of the most popular speakers. He had just come from China, and was so enthusiastic about his work that he could not fall back, give some of it to those that listened.

Dr. Roy Akaz, Japan, Max Yelzan from South Africa, Francis Wei from China, are only a few of the foreign speakers. There were also special discussion groups, on any subject which the majority of students wished and were conducted by a student. The group on war seems to have been by far the most popular.

Trips were planned for the delegates to different places of interest in Detroit, particularly to all of the Henry Ford plants. Two plays were presented by the delegates. Any sort of entertaining could not be done except in small groups, but there were numerous banquets and teas, etc., for the different delegations.

Unfortunately, there was nothing discussed which could pertain to our Y. W. here in particular, except that the students might be able to forward in some way the whole plan of the convention.

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College has opened without many colts, and so far, without any infectious diseases. Dr. Harley warns the girls, however, to be on the watch for any sign of infection from now on. Now is the time, too, for them to begin to get in trim for vacation. They should be careful of what they eat and get their full night's sleep.

Martha Henderson who has been threatened with diphtheria is improving. Her mother is here, and is staying at the Boxwood Inn.

Dorothea Paddock, who has been in the infirmary for several days, is now on the road to recovery.

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